GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
LAW , JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3038
ANSWERED ON:07.12.2000
VOTING RIGHT TO NON RESIDENT INDIANS
SURESH KODIKUNNIL

Will the Minister of LAW , JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to provide voting right to non resident Indian;

(b) If so, whether the Government have received any request from NRI`s in this regard;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF LAW, JUSTICE & COMPANY AFFAIRS AND SHIPPING (SHRI ARUN JAITLEY)

(a) No, Sir.

(b) to (d) Yes, Sir. The Government has been receiving representations in this regard from various organizations representing the non-resident Indians and Members of Parliament, etc.Owing to practical and administrative difficulties, however, it is not considered feasible to grant voting right to NRI`s.